The incident in the Spanish Cortes in which the Duke of Tetuan boxed the ears of Senator Comas, and which was followed by the former resigning from the Ministry, now has a sequel in the withdrawal of the resignation. It is also said that no duel will follow, the affair having been arranged. The Spanish sense of honor is certainly not what it once was or this commonplace ending would be impossible. But then again, a liberal Senator may consider it a privilege to have his ears boxed by a duke.

No Depression in the South.

The Savannah News says: We ven-ture to say that the farmers of the South know very little from experience of hard times and of the business depression of which so much is said in the newspapers, though it is safe to assert that nine out of ten of them have heard so much about the lack of prosperity that they believe their material condition is steadily growing worse, instead of better. They do not compare their material condition of ten years ago or even a year ago, with that of today. In fact, they do not inquire of themselves as to whether they are freeing them-selves of debt or increasing their debts. They accept the popular opinion that the country is not prosperous, and that hence they are not prospering. If they, and many engaged in other occupations, were to scan the facts closely as to what their material condition was, and what it is, their talk in respect to the hard times would have a wholly different tone.

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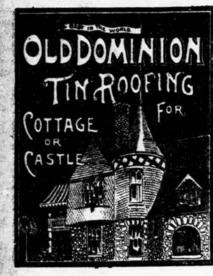
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GENERAL IMPROVEMENT

Noted in Different Crops Throughout The State.

Director Bauer's report for week ending Aug. 3, says there appears to have been a general improvement in crop conditions in South Carolina during the past week and staple as well as the minor crops are exceedingly fine over the western, the north central, and the northeastern counties, and over the greater portion of the remainder of the State. The exceptions are 'that over portions of Oconee, Pickens, Laurens, Union and Spartanburg counties more rain is needed, while in portions of Richland, Bamberg, Kershaw, Sumter, Darlington, Orangeburg and Berkely there has been an excess of rain to the injury of crops especially corn and cot-

Laying by of the principal field crops is nearing completion, and was favored by the hot dry weather that prevailed

during the greater part of the week.

Old corn is maturing rapidly over the eastern portions of the State, where fodder-pulling is now quite general. This portion of the corn crop varies in condition with the locality and the soil and is not likely to be a full crop. Late corn continues promising but needs several more good "seasons" to keep it up to present conditions and to insure the heavy yield that now seems likely.

Corn is "firing" on sandy lands in

Kershaw, Berkeley and Aiken.

Some bottom-land corn injured early

in the week by high winds, and overflowed streams in the central counties, however, comparatively small areas were affected.

Cotton continues to fruit well and to shed comparatively little. A number of correspondents report this crop un-usually fine and more heavily fruited than is usual at this season. were fewer reports this week than last, of rust, excessive shedding and "honeydew," although these damaging conditions are still widely prevalent, especially in sections where there has been an excess of rain. Much grass was killed, and laying by made rapid advance. There are reports of the plant being small but well fruited, and others of the plant growing too much to "weed" at the expense of taking on fruit.

Bolls are opening rapidly over the southeastern counties. Excessive rains injured cotton in portions of Berkeley and Darlington, while in Spartanburg and limited areas elsewhere more rain is needed. In places the plant has turned yellow and stopped growing. Sea Island cotton continues to put on fruit and was greatly benefited by the abun-dant sunshine of the latter portion of the week.

The first bale of new cotton for this season, was shipped from Allendale, Barnwell county, on August 2nd. In 1896, 5 bales were marketed on July 28-29th, in 1895 the first on August 20th, in 1894 the first on August 15. Tobacco curing progressing and nearing com-pletion, quality good. Curing up fine in Florence. Rice heading and with the exception of limited localities where damaged by caterpillars, is in extra fine condition. Early rice will soon ripen. Peas are growing luxuriantly with good stand. Large crop of pea-vine hay assured.

WOOD SAWYERS IN HIS FINGER

A Remarkable Case From Pinewood -The Man Suffered Agony.

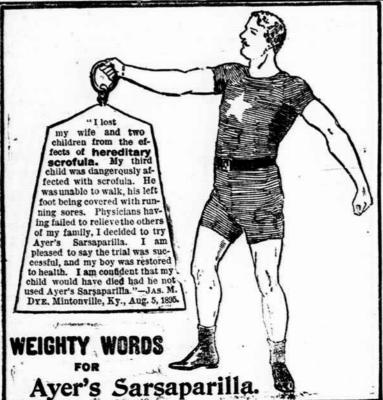
A special to The State, from Sumter, says a negro man named Wash Durant, who lives near Pinewood, and who works for Conductor J. C. McCleningham on the log train which plies between that place and Pinewood, has been suffering intense agony for about six weeks with what seemed to be a bona felon. He consulted a physician, who said it was neither a felon nor rising, but seemed to be a mash or possibly a splinter had been run into the finger and told Durant to put a poultice on the finger, which he did, but found no relief. On Tuesday morning Durant's finger pained him unusually, and upon taking the poultice off he was horrified to see the head of a worm sticking out of his finger. He took his knife and pulled the worm out and carried it to Capt, McCleningham. It looked ex-actly like a wood sawyer and about the size of the average worm of that kind. Durant pulled another worm of the same kind from his finger and since then his finger has not pained him near so much, and to all appearances is get-

ting well.

Durant is very much worried about his hand and thinks he has been "hoodcoed." He has lost about 25 pounds of flesh and has not worked for

Packers Break the Record.

The Kansas City packers have broken their record for the first six months of the year. They killed during that perthe year. They killed during that period 1,585,000 hogs, 412,000 cattle and 470,000 sheep, which figures indicate an increased slaughtering of 375,000 hogs, 43,000 cattle and 106,000 sheep over the first half of 1896. This enlargement is said to be the result of an increased supply of live stock in the Kansas City territory and extension of trade.



## GOWNS IN GRAY SHADES.

SOME NEW FEATURES IN THE REALM OF FASHION.

Description of a Handsome Waist in Pearl Gray, With Bolero of Cashmere and Hat of Braided Straw-A Most Becoming Linen Blazer for a Young Girl. Golf, tennis, wheeling and all outdoor sports call for the easiest possible



costumes to be worn during the oppressive summer days. May Manton rial selected for this stylish sleeve, writes that the model shown in the il- which is coat-shaped, with the slight

smoothly across the shoulders with a slight fullness at the waist collected in gathers that are drawn well to the center-back. Smooth under-arm gores join the back to the front which is smooth-fitting across the shoulders and bust, falling at the waist in slight blouse effect over a crush girdle that is deepest at the center-back. The fanciful bolero is included in the right shoulder and under-arm seam and closes invisibly on the left shoulder and under-arm with the full waist which also closes at this point.

At the neck is a close standing band, the outstanding frill of lace at the upper edge forming an effective finish. The sleeves have under and upper portions and show a modern amoun of fulness above the elbow. The wrists are pointed in Venetian style and a full cap-frill stands out stylishly from the shoulders. The design, which is eminently useful, admits of various combinations and is sufficiently dressy for a church, visiting or high class social function.

To make this waist for a lady in the medium size will require three yards of forty-four inch material.

White the Prevailing Color.

White is very much worn this season, and white gowns of almost any material, if properly made, are sure to be a success. White grenadines appear among the dressy costumes at the fashionable summer hotels. One unusual model has three graduated flounces of white silk on the skirt. The bottom one, gathered over another of white silk, is the widest, and each one is finished with a narrow frill of white glace silk, which is in turn edged with a tiny ruffle of white chiffon. Another pretty gown is of white gauze over rose glace silk. Around the hips a few inches below the waist is one row of cream face insertion, a little distance apart, run to the bottom of the skirt, both front and back. The bodice of gauze is tucked crosswise; insertion outlines a square at the neck, from which vertical bands of insertion extend to the waist.

Dress Sleeve With Epaulette.

Blue and white foulard is the mate-



LADIES' WAIST WITH FANCY BOLEBO.

lustration combines linen canvas in the fulness at the elbow which is always natural color with light-hued plaid in desirable in such as follow the arm the shirt waist, and is emineutly youthful at the same time that it is serviceable. Both the belt and tie are black, while the hat of rough red straw shows a trimming of black and red, with quills of the former color.

The blazer shows dartless fronts, straight backs, which terminate in underlying pleas at the waist line, side | The style is among the newest of sleeves forms and under-arm gores. It is and is adapted to organdy, lawn, batiste, wholly unlined the seams being neatly summer silks, cotton or light-weight wholly unlined, the seams being neatly bound. The straight fronts turn back to form curves and meet the rollover collar in uneven notches. The sleeves are one-seamed, and show the fulness at the shoulder, which is still held correct for all outer garments. The material being washable, no interlining or stiffening is required. Collar, revers and sleeves are self-faced and finished with a single bow of stitching.

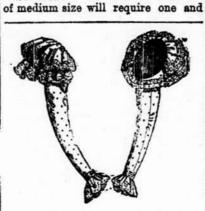
To make the blazer for a miss of fourteen years will require two and three-fourths yards of the same width

Waist and Fancy Bolero.

Many of the newest and most charming gowns are shown in various shades of gray. The waist portrayed in the large illustration is carried out in pearl-gray taffeta figured in red which forms the waist proper with a bolero of cashmere in the same tint. The decorations consist of black velvet ribbon and marrow gilt braid arranged in trefoil effect. The hat is of braided straw adorned with wild flowers, ribbon bow and rhinestone buckle. The waist has a foundation lining having the usual number of seams, double skirts, with the very fashionable ribbust darts and closing in the center- bon sash, with long loops and ends at front. The material of the back lies the waist.

closely. The fitting is accomplished by inside and outside seams. The wrists have a soft frill of lace falling deeply over the hand, with band of insertion above. Double epaulettes that are lace-edged and insertion-trimmed stand out prettily at the top, affording a becoming breadth to the shoulders. woollen fabrics.

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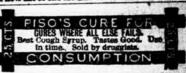
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